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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, EC, US, CU, OAS

SUBJ: PROPOSED MESSAGE FOR ECUADOREAN FOREIGN MINISTER LUCIO
PAREDES FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER

REF: QUITO 7599

1. REFTEL TRANSMITTED TEXT OF NOVEMBER 9 MESSAGE FROM ECUADOREAN FOREIGN MINISTER LUCIO PAREDES TO SECRETARY KISSINGER REGARDING MF. WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO REPLY PROMPTLY TO LUCIO PAREDES AND SUGGEST ANSWER FROM SECRETARY ALONG FOLLOWING LINES FOR YOUR APPROVAL:

2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. MINISTER: I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR MESSAGE OF NOVEMBER 9. IT REACHED ME JUST AS I RETURNED TO WASHINGTON FROM THE MIDDLE EAST. NEEDLESS TO SAY, PRESIDENT FORD AND I HAVE BEEN FOLLOWING THE EARLY DEBATES AT THE CONFERENCE IN QUITO WITH THE GREATEST OF INTEREST. WE SHARE YOUR HOPES FOR A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME.

3. YOUR CONFIDENCE THAT OUR DELEGATION WILL PROCEED IN A SPIRIT WHICH CONTRIBUTES TO THE STRENGTHENING OF INTER-AMERICAN UNITY IS WELL PLACED. I MIGHT ADD THAT THE UNITY WE ENVISAGE IS NOT AN ARTIFICIAL ONE, AS MAY HAVE BEEN THE CASE ON OCCASION IN THE PAST. EACH NATION MUST FEEL FREE TO DECIDE ITS OWN COURSE OF ACTION ON THE BASIS OF EQUALITY, MUTUAL RESPECT, AND
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ITS TRUE NATIONAL INTERESTS. THE NEW DIALOGUE COULD, QUITE

FRANKLY, LOSE MUCH OF ITS MEANING IF OUR POSITION WERE TO INFLUENCE DISPROPORTIONATELY THE CONSIDERATIONS OF OTHERS. WE DO NOT WANT TO PREJUDICE THE DELIBERATIONS OR THE OUTCOME AT QUITO. IT IS FOR THIS REASON THAT OUR DELEGATION HAS REFRAINED FROM URGING OTHER MEMBERS HOW TO VOTE OR MAKING ITS FINAL DECISION KNOWN BEFOREHAND. WE ARE CONVINCED THAT THIS POSTURE IS TRUE TO THE SPIRIT THAT HAS CHARACTERIZED OUR NEW DIALOGUE AT THE MEETINGS OF TLATELOLCO, ATLANTA, AND NOW QUITO.

4. I WISH TO REITERATE TO YOUR EXCELLENCY OUR DEEP COMMITMENT TO THE CONTINUING EFFECTIVENESS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM, AND MY OWN CONVICTION THAT ITS VITALITY IS BEST ASSURED BY VIGOROUS AND HONEST EXCHANGES OF VIEWS BASED ON EACH NATION'S PERCEPTION OF ITS INTEREST. IT IS ONLY IN THIS WAY THAT WE WILL SUCCEED IN SHARING A COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY.

5. IN CLOSING, PERMIT ME TO SAY AGAIN THAT I KNOW THE CONFERENCE IS IN CAPABLE HANDS UNDER YOUR SKILLED PRESIDENCY. PLEASE ACCEPT MY MOST PROFOUND REGRETS THAT, OWING TO MY COMMITMENTS OF WHICH YOU ARE FULLY AWARE IN THE MIDDLE EAST IN SEARCH OF PEACE, I WAS UNABLE TO JOIN YOU AT THIS TIME IN YOUR NATION'S BEAUTIFUL CAPITAL. BEST REGARDS, HENRY A. KISSINGER. END TEXT.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE BY NIACT IMMEDIATE.
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